



## Wolves' Tale Harris- Lake Park Community School

### Senior Spotlight

By Amani Abadie



Grace Ann Elser was born May 2, 2001, in Spirit Lake, Iowa. She is the daughter of Arin and Nick Elser and sister to Gavin Elser. Nicknamed Gracie or Gracie

May, she has attended H-LP schools since pre-school.



This year she is taking government, anatomy, choir, Spanish IV, physics, advanced math, and intro to computers. She is also part of NHS, the youth

group, Student Council, basketball, track, softball, and she was in the musical. She was part of the second team all conference in her junior year of track. For two summers, she worked at The Daily Addiction.

Her most embarrassing moment had to be walking into the wrong bathroom in elementary. However, her best memory is riding the bus to the games. Although she awaits graduation, she'll miss playing sports and her friends.

In ten years, she expects herself to graduated from the University of Iowa for nursing, be married, and starting a family. Perhaps she'll have fulfilled her one wish and cured cancer.



Her favorites things in life include basketball, Buffalo Wild Wings, the Iowa Hawkeyes, her dad's barbeque ribs, hip-

pos, the color purple, swimming, and boating. Her favorite movie is The Heat, with her favorite actress as Melissa Macarthy.

Her advice for underclassmen is to respect your upperclassmen. "A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step." This is her favorite quote and a word of inspiration.

### H-LP coach receives high honor

By Taylor Meyer

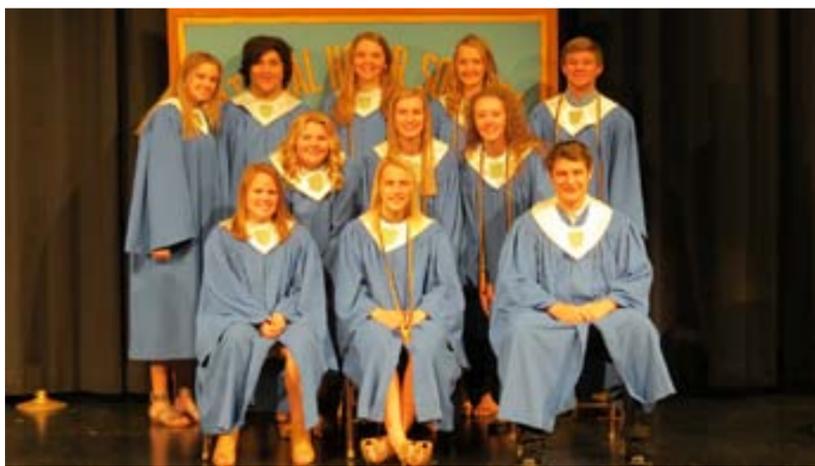
On November 15th, Mr. Sohn took his two sons, Bret and Brody Sohn, down to state football. This trip was a little different though for the Sohn family. Mr. Sohn would receive the Dan Taft Memorial JH Award during half time of the 8-Man championship game.

The award is given to a junior high coach that has put in the time to better the JH programs in his school. The winner of the award is selected by the Iowa High School Coaches Association.

Mr. Sohn said, "It is an honor to be recognized for working with the youth here at Harris-Lake Park."

Mr. Sohn has been the JH football coach at HLP for 18 years. Meanwhile, he has been coaching football at the JV and varsity levels for 13 years. Along with football, Mr. Sohn helps with JH basketball, is the head coach of the high school basketball team, and is the assistant coach for the high school baseball team in Lake Park.

Thank you, Mr. Sohn, for putting your time to better our programs here at Harris-Lake Park! Make sure the next time you see him, you congratulate him on his award.



### National Honor Society inducts new members

By Brienne Ihnen

The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony took place at the Harris-Lake Park auditorium on November 12. The returning members were Grace Elser, Cheyenne Nelson, Dalton Nicks, Taylor Meyer, Jazmin Voehl, Abdulla Elbuytari, McKenzie Heikens, and Lexi Stahly. The new inductees were Morgan Bradley, Marianne Nebelsick, and Logan VanEde. They are supervised by Mrs. Steph Jacobsma.

During the induction ceremony, Mr. Craig Jacobsma, the guest speaker, talked about the qualities of NHS and how those translate into life after high school. The returning members read over the history and meanings of NHS and its symbols. They light the ceremony candles and present the incoming students with pins, certificates, cards, and cords to new senior members.

For the process of choosing members, the student must have at least a 3.3 GPA and fill out an application which is then scored to determine eligibility based on character, service, and leadership. Students who meet the requirements for membership, outlined by their school's chapter, are eligible to be invited for membership. Each chapter is required to publish its qualifications for membership, which is based on the four pillars of NHS: scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

This year's members will be involved in a program working with elementary students to encourage health and wellness. Each student will participate in a personal service project.

Congratulations to the new and returning members!



### Shooting off the season

by Mady Brevik

This year, the Wolves have ten girls out for basketball. The ten consist of five seniors: Bri Ihnen, Grace Elser, Jazmin Voehl,

Taylor Meyer, and Mady Brevik. The lone junior is Kenzie Heikens and the only sophomore is Emma Sidles. The three freshmen are Tessa Gunderson, Ava Rasche, and Zella Ingham. With the low numbers, the girls will have to work hard and stay healthy.

On November 16th, the girls traveled to Sibley to scrimmage HMS to get ready for their home opener on Tuesday. Coach Irwin said they have tried to build on where they ended last year. "We have been working on expanding our man to man offense for more diversity."

One of the strengths this year, he said, is the experience; the five seniors have played a lot of basketball together and that goes a long way.

There are some good teams in the War Eagle Conference. Unity Christian is always good, but many of the teams that were good last year bring back a lot of players again this year. So the top half of the conference last year looks to be pretty good again this year.

The Lady Wolves opened their season against GTRA at home on November 20th. The girls started off good as they were only down three points at the end of the first quarter. At halftime, the Wolves were up 22-19. The final score was 41-50, GTRA.

Jazmin Voehl led the night with 12 points and 10 rebounds. Mady Brevik had 11 points and Taylor Meyer had 10. Bri Ihnen had six rebounds and six points.

Here are some of Coach Irwin's thoughts about the loss against GTRA on Tuesday, "GTRA is a good team that plays pressure defense and shoots the ball well. We handled their pressure and forced them to do some things offensively that they didn't want to do. We played well all game in all aspects of the game. Although we didn't get the win, we can take a lot of positives away from the game. It was a tough, competitive game that was fun to be a part of."



### Elementary celebrates Thanksgiving

By Hannah Harmon

On Nov. 21, the elementary hosted an event they call Grandparents and Friends Day. The day started with a presentation in the gym by the Dickinson County Nature Center.

Preschool at HLP had thirty-two different visitors. In this class, they made paintings with different feathers, created different pumpkins, sang songs with the music teacher, and decorated picture frames with the grandparents and friends.

First graders had about 40-50 visitors throughout the whole day. There were a variety of "stations" and activities. At these different stations they read a book, ST math on the iPads, made a turkey, wrote a Thanksgiving story, and did different math games.

In second grade, they had around sixty to seventy different people coming and going in their class. In this room they made bingo cards and played bingo. "We let the adults experience library checkout and we even performed a reader's theater," second grade teacher Taylor Hummel said. They also made snacks and crafts and did a variety of different activities related to Thanksgiving.

In third grade, about fifty visitors came throughout the day. Then they made a Thankful Turkey book with the guests, who also went to music. After lunch, the students created Google Slides presentations including a series of survey questions they had asked their Grandparents/Special Friends. Another section of third grade showed their visitors how they use Google Classroom to start their math lessons. After they did this, they showed their visitors how to play the card game "Trash".

Fourth grade had 65-70 guests throughout the day. The students used their chrome books for Reading Plus and Epic. They also worked on ST Math and a Thanksgiving packet with their visitors. "We had a great day in fourth grade and it sounded like they had a wonderful Thanksgiving with friends and family," Mr. Greve said.

Fifth graders hosted 30 to 40 visitors. Mr. Vaudt commented, "We did some lessons on the chrome book using pear deck to solve mysteries together, and the class also took part in a CSI activity. The interactive level in the room through the mystery lessons was extremely enjoyable for the kids and grandparents. The students also loved doing time tests for basic math facts with their relatives. They enjoy seeing how fast they are and if they are able to beat them from the practice they have had so far this year."

In music class, they always give the visitors a preview of the upcoming concert. This event at Harris-Lake Park has been going on for years. Every year the classes do something different and the grandparents and friends don't know what to expect for that year.